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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

The following Amendment and Remarks are being submitted in response to the *Ex Parte Quayle* Action mailed January 5, 2010 (Paper No. 20091229) and are being filed within the two month period set for reply.

Kindly amend the above-identified U.S. patent application, without prejudice, as follows: